IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant

: Hisaki MIYAMOTO et al.

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LAMINATED OPTICAL DISC

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of July 31, 2003, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on October 31, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include replacement sheets.